

# GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE LIBERALIZED MEDICAL CANNABIS POLICY IN CHIANG MAI

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## Introduction

### Statement and Significance of the Problem

Cannabis is a medicinal plant that is part of traditional medicine knowledge in many parts of the world including Thailand. However, with cannabis, there are components that act on Nervousness is rubbed to use as a drug. from the report of Office of Narcotics and The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) reports that in 2016, 264 million people aged 15-64 used drugs worldwide . People, finding that Cannabis is the drug that has the most epidemic. There are 180 million people who use cannabis, both in the form of cannabis dry and products. from resins (Cannabis resin, Cannabis water, etc.) accounted for 73.4 % of all addicts and had The number is constantly increasing. In Thailand, there was a survey in 2014 with 1.2 % of narcotic use, with an age range of 12-65 years of use (Manop Kuantu , 2016) . Efforts to control this plant Combined with the control of opium until the organization the United Nations A resolution was passed to include Cannabis and cannabis resin on the list of narcotic drugs in 1961 under the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 . harmful, with limited or non-existent therapeutic value objection from many countries to the use of cannabis in their traditional medicine system but can't able to withstand international pressures (Pattapong Ketsomboon , 2018). Drug policy in many countries focuses mainly on political and economic policies. Social policy is a secondary priority. and in many countries it is allowed introduction of cannabis plants be used legally Which is currently the country where cannabis is legally certified Legalization is divided into 3 groups: 1) 33 countries that have legalized cannabis for medical use, 2) countries that have legalized cannabis for recreational use, 6 countries, and 3) countries that have legalized cannabis . and from The Global Cannabis Report by Prohibition Partners, the world's leading provider of strategic insights and advisors . The global cannabis market value is expected to continue to grow. or equivalent to a value of more than US \$ 103.9 billion in 2024, divided into the medical cannabis market, accounting for approximately 60 percent of the total cannabis market value, and the other 40 percent of the recreational cannabis market. Currently, there are food and beverage companies in the world. Interested in using hemp extract as ingredients in the product affect long-term trends The value of the global cannabis market will grow and more spread out in many businesses (Kasikorn Research Center , 2020) for Thailand Despite the promulgation of the first Cannabis control law since Year 2477, but the said law. It is also specified that it can be used for the benefit of any disease. Subsequently, after Thailand became a party to the Convention of the Organization The United Nations has therefore repealed the original Cannabis law. in the promulgation The Narcotics Act of 1979 that legalizes Cannabis as a narcotic. Type 5 makes the use of Cannabis in Thailand illegal (Weeraya Thaupachit , 2019). However, with the medical value of Cannabis, people still use it secretly. Although there is a risk of harm from using Cannabis that is of poor quality or contaminated with Poison (1) and also causes a hindrance In a study on the benefits of Cannabis in Medicine has been made in the past 20-30 years in many countries. has improved

the law to work around these limitations. In Thailand since 2016, the civil sector The society has organized academic activities and social movements to call for Amend the law to allow the use of Cannabis. both for medical benefits Research and development for national drug security and for the benefit of the economy This led to the promulgation of a new narcotic law on February 18, 2019, and the government announced a policy on Cannabis for the public. Access to the safe use of medicinal cannabis and herbs to create official opportunities Maintaining the economy and generating income for the people, the Ministry of Public Health has therefore accelerated operations. so that people across the country can access free medical Cannabis services thoroughly by In August 2019, Cannabis clinics were opened in pilot hospitals in 12 health districts, with 12 modern medical Cannabis services open and Thai traditional and alternative medicine, 7 locations, totaling 19 locations, and later expanded The service area has increased accordingly. At the end of the year 2019 has been ordered to open for service. medical Cannabis in affiliated hospitals covering all provinces across the country In part of Chiang Mai province, there are Number of liberal medical Cannabis clinics 37 places According to the service expansion plan in Phase 4 However The number of people who have access to medical Cannabis services in cannabis clinics has not increased as much as it should have. Many medicinal cannabis are not prescribed (Department of Medicine , 2021). Therefore, it is necessary to understand the problem and find solutions in development to drive the implementation of this policy to achieve the goals and Public and private management approaches affecting the liberalization of medical Cannabis policy alternatives and lead to tangible results Meet the needs of the people drive the plan

Policies established in any society or organization is the concept of operating to meet the needs or wishes of individuals. and The nature of the policy must be consistent with the needs and interests of the people. Established policies are often informed and scrutinized by multiple parties However, whether the society or the organization has the nature of governance or What is the style of management? Policy formulation must have procedures and be process that leads to policy and effective correct operation It is in accordance with the academic principles of management and the established policies must be acknowledged. and accepted by individuals Within the agency must be integrated into a guideline. wide for operational decisions Management Policy And the implementation of the policy is essential to be clear in the local context. community and society

### **Research Question**

The researcher is therefore interested in studying the effects of state administration on promotion. Free Cannabis for alternative medicine in Chiang Mai and state management problems and conditions as follows:

1. What is the state's administration in promoting Cannabis liberalization alternative medicine in Chiang Mai?
2. What are elements affecting the government's administrative system in promoting the liberal Cannabis for alternative medicine in Chiang Mai?
3. What are the guidelines for implementing the liberalized medical Cannabis policy in Chiang Mai?

## **Research Objective**

1. To study the status of state administration in the promotion of liberalized Cannabis for alternative medicine in Chiang Mai
2. To study the components affecting the government's administrative system in promoting Free Cannabis for alternative medicine in Chiang Mai
3. To present guidelines for implementing the liberalized medical Cannabis policy in Chiang Mai

## **Research Hypothesis**

1. Community participation People's knowledge and understanding affects policy implementation.
2. Management, including budgets, clear work plans Personnel management and training affect policy implementation.
3. Medical Access Reducing the risks of cannabis use (Risk-based approach) Public safety have an effect on the implementation of the policy.

## **Scope of the Study**

It is a mixed research (mixed method research) which will research both quantitatively. (Quantitative Research) and Qualitative Research (Qualitative Research) to study guidelines for implementing the liberalized medical Cannabis policy in Chiang Mai Province. by setting the scope of Comprehensive research both the problems and the objectives of the research The scope of the research consists of 1) the scope of the population 2) the scope of the research content 3) the scope of the research period as follows:

### **population boundary**

population in quantitative research collecting data from people who use the service Number of liberal medical Cannabis clinics 37 locations, 370 people

Research population It will consist of 37 cannabis clinic executives, liberalized medical Cannabis executives, Executives of private organizations, experts in the area of Chiang Mai conducted focus groups.

**Content scope of research** research this time The researcher focuses on studying the components of public administration. in order to implement the policy The liberalization of medical Cannabis policy is implemented in line with the needs of the people in Chiang Mai. which from the review Concepts, theories and literature related to management. which consisted of planning, personnel management, training, supervision support Information management and community organization management

**Term Scope** Conducted research in the year 2023

## **Significance of the study**

From the research, the researcher expects that the benefits will occur in all 3 parts, including policy benefits. Administrative benefits and academic benefits are as follows:

(1) Policy benefits Relevant government agencies can set guidelines to drive policies. and guidelines for community participation and proper management

(2) Administrative benefits There will be clarity in pushing policies that correspond to the situation and the needs of the people in the area.

(3) academic benefits Lessons learned will be taken and other elements will be found that will contribute to the success of advancing the free cannabis policy. medical and research in other areas which will have unique characteristics that are different

### **Definitions of terms**

1. Medically liberalized Cannabis means free cultivation of cannabis The main objective is to sell as raw materials for the production of medicines. or for medical treatment

2. Medical Cannabis means the substance obtained from the extraction of the Cannabis plant. to bring extracts that have been used for medical purposes and The research does not include cannabis that is still a plant. or any component of the cannabis plant, such as Flowers, leaves, stems, roots, etc.

3. medical Cannabis clinic means A clinic open for eye care for patients receiving Thai traditional medicine that contains Cannabis. Mix and match according to Thai traditional medicine in conjunction with modern medicine with criteria for organizing cannabis clinics. Thai traditional medicine

### **Research Concepts**

1. National Development Plan, dated 13 November 2023-2027) on Thai medicinal plants and their extensions

2. The concept of development management

3. The concept of the idea of requesting a plan to meddle

4. The concept of building consensus

5. The concept of the following concept.

6. Help Concept Concepts

7. The concept of human resource management

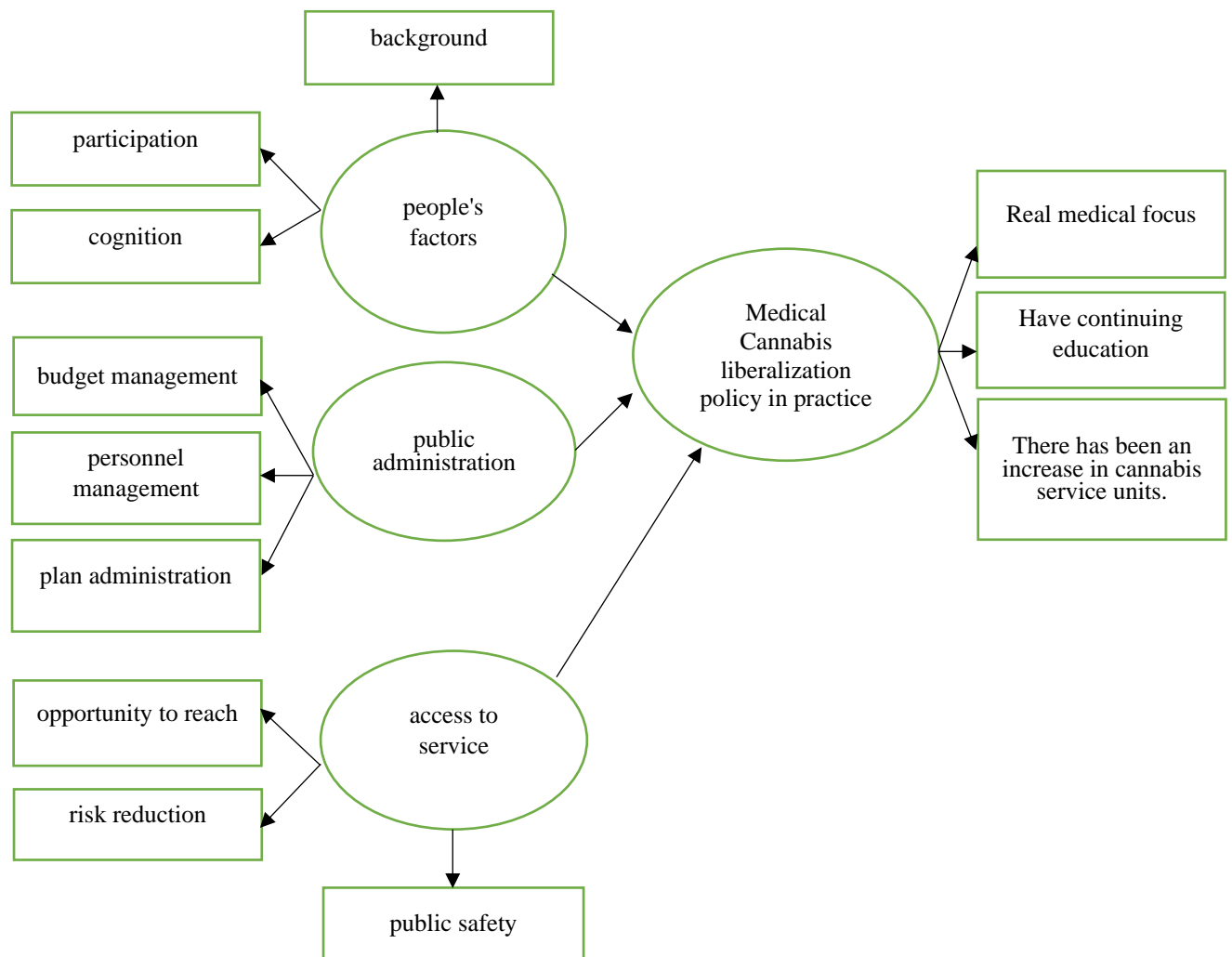
8. The concept of medical services and medical care

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10. Related Research

11. Conceptual Framework

## Conceptual Framework



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